State of Arizona House of Representatives Forty-fifth Legislature First Regular Session 2001

CHAPTER 125

HOUSE BILL 2157

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 11-952, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Section 11-952, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

11-952. <u>Intergovernmental agreements and contracts</u>

- A. If authorized by their legislative or other governing bodies, two or more public agencies by direct contract or agreement may contract for services or jointly exercise any powers common to the contracting parties and may enter into agreements with one another for joint or cooperative action OR MAY FORM A SEPARATE LEGAL ENTITY, INCLUDING A NONPROFIT CORPORATION, TO CONTRACT FOR OR PERFORM SOME OR ALL OF THE SERVICES SPECIFIED IN THE CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT OR EXERCISE THOSE POWERS JOINTLY HELD BY THE CONTRACTING PARTIES, except that if two or more school districts arrange to become contracting parties under the terms of this section, such contract shall first be approved by the state board of education.
 - B. Any such contract or agreement shall specify the following:
 - 1. Its duration.
 - 2. Its purpose or purposes.
- 3. The manner of financing the joint or cooperative undertaking and of establishing and maintaining a budget therefor.
- 4. The permissible method or methods to be employed in accomplishing the partial or complete termination of the agreement and for disposing of property upon such partial or complete termination.
- 5. IF A SEPARATE LEGAL ENTITY IS FORMED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION A, THE PRECISE ORGANIZATION, COMPOSITION, TITLE AND NATURE OF THE ENTITY.
 - 5. 6. Any other necessary and proper matters.
- C. No agreement made pursuant to this article shall relieve any public agency of any obligation or responsibility imposed upon it by law.
- D. Except as provided in subsection E, every agreement or contract involving any public agency, board or commission made pursuant to this article shall, prior to its execution, be submitted to the attorney for each such public agency, board or commission, who shall determine whether the said agreement is in proper form and is within the powers and authority granted under the laws of this state to such public agency, board or commission.
- E. A federal department or agency which is a party to an agreement or contract made pursuant to this article is not required to submit the agreement or contract to the attorney for the federal department or agency unless required under federal law.
- F. Any agreement or contract submitted to the attorney general shall be filed with the secretary of state and shall become effective on the date provided in the agreement. The secretary of state shall prepare a cross-index of the names of all public agencies which coordinate with the attorney general and secretary of state and file an agreement under this section.
- G. Any agreement or contract submitted to an attorney other than the attorney general shall be filed with the secretary of stage if the agreement

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affects more than one county and shall be filed with the county recorder if only one county is affected and shall become effective on the date provided in the agreement.

- H. Appropriate action by ordinance, resolution or otherwise pursuant to the laws applicable to the governing bodies of the participating agencies approving or extending the duration of the agreement or contract shall be necessary before any such agreement, contract or extension may be filed or become effective.
- I. If a school district is a party to an agreement made pursuant to subsection A, the parties to such agreement may extend the duration of the agreement by notification to the secretary of state if the agreement is filed pursuant to subsection F and the state board of education. Such agreement may be extended as many times as is desirable, but each extension may not exceed the duration of the previous agreement.
- J. Payment for services under this section shall not be made unless pursuant to a fully approved written contract.
- K. A person who authorizes payment of any monies in violation of this section is liable for the monies paid plus twenty per cent of such amount and legal interest from the date of payment.
- L. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, public agencies may enter into a contract or agreement pursuant to this section with the superior court, justice courts and police courts for related services and facilities of such courts for a term not to exceed ten years, with the approval of such contract or agreement by the presiding judge of the superior court in the county in which the court or courts which provide the facilities or services are located.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 17, 2001.

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